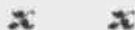
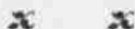


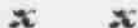
A developed intellect without clear knowledge of Religion is as confounded as a swarm of bees without a queen.



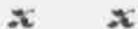
The Rosary is the book of the blind, the manual of the poor, the breviary of the traveller, the companion of the old, the comfort of the sick, and the prayer of the Christian who loves Mary.



In point of virtue, that which costs nothing is worth nothing. "Sacrifice," says de Maistre, "being the essential basis of virtue, the most meritorious virtues are those which are acquired with the greatest effort." There can be no true development of heart and mind, nor growth in grace where selfishness is the predominant principle.



One of the most indispensable female virtues, and that which gives most loveliness to woman is modesty. This amiable quality of the soul has such an influence upon the countenance mind and manners, that every feature of character loses its charm where this bright diamond is wanting. Its possessor inspires us with the thought of angelic presence.



One of the very worst signs of the times is disrespect of parents and want of veneration for old age. American parents are generally too indulgent to their sons and daughters, and, therefore, it is not uncommon to find them disobedient. The conduct of such parents is mistaken kindness, and often leads to the worst consequences. When a young man is ashamed of the creed or country of his parents there is something wrong with both his head and his heart. He has not the good sense to be proud of his parents, and he does not entertain for them the affection that is their due. Such sons are